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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph 43 on page 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0043] FIG. 4 illustrates, with a graph 400, effects of certain implementations of the invention. The graph 400 depicts time along the horizontal axis and secondary resource usage percentage along the vertical axis. At point 410, at least one resource management process 224 at the secondary control unit 220 broadcasts a high watermark message to all primary control units 200A. . . 200P. At point 420, [[the]] at least one resource management process 224 broadcasts a high watermark message to all primary control units 200A. . . 200P. At point 430, the least one resource management process 224 broadcasts a low watermark message to all primary control units 200A. . . 200P that were sent a high watermark message. For example, the final threshold may be 10 percent, while the high watermark may be 8 percent and the low watermark may be 6 percent.

Please replace paragraph 44 on page 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0044] FIG. 5 illustrates, with a graph 500, effects of certain implementations of the invention. The graph 500 depicts time along the horizontal axis and secondary resource usage percentage along the vertical axis. At point 510, the high watermark message is broadcast, and at point 520, the low watermark message is broadcast. ~~The dotted line~~ Line 530 represents an "ideal" case, and percentages for the high and low watermarks may be tuned to get close to the "ideal" case.